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Arrivals.

July 20, FRANK M. THAYER, American ship, 1,220, H. A. Starrett, Cardiff March 23rd, Coals.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
July 21, PROVIDENCIA, Peruvian ship, 660, J. Ysauricta, from Macao.
July 21, PEARL, Brit. str., 705, H. L. Munk, Amoy 19th July, General.—AH YON.

Departures.

July 21, KWANGTUNG, str., for East Coast.
July 21, LUCHE, for Chefoo.
July 21, FORTUNE, for Chefoo.
July 21, ST. PAUL, for Chefoo.
July 21, FIDELIO, for Whampoa.

Clearances.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, JULY 21ST.

Kwangtung, str., for East Coast.
Marmion, for San Francisco.
Vesta, for Tientsin.
Caroline Hutchings, for Tokio.
Aarhaus, for Foochow.
New Republic, for Yokohama.

Passengers.

ARRIVED.

Per *Pearl*, str., from Amoy:—
4 Chinese deck.

DEPARTED.

Per *Kwangtung*, str., for East Coast:—
2 Cabin and 250 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

Per *Vesta*, for Tientsin:—
1 Chinese.

Reports.

The British steamship *Pearl* reports left Amoy on 19th July, and had light S.W. winds during the passage.

The American ship *Frank M. Thayer* reports left Cardiff on March 23rd; had light N.E. trades in the Atlantic Ocean; crossed the Equator in long. 29, on the 23rd April; thence to the Cape of Good Hope fine weather, meridian of which passed on the 23rd May; thence to Java Head 28 days, with strong W. winds. In the China Sea squalls and light airs from the N.E.

YOKOHAMA SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

June 21st, str. Volga from Hongkong; 22nd, str. Granada from Hongkong; 23rd, str. New York from Shanghai, str. Kiangse from Shanghai; 24th, Maury from Takow, Hamburg from Nagasaki, str. Vasco de Gama from Hongkong, str. Colorado from San Francisco; 26th, John McKeon from Nagasaki; 27th, Harrington from London; 29th, Ambassador from London, Mary Ann Wilson from London, str. Behar from Hongkong, str. Zatepona from London; 30th, Deogaum from Cardiff, str. Oregonian from Shanghai; 4th, str. Altona from Hongkong.

DEPARTURES.

June 20th, Mary Ann Holman for Foochow; 22nd, str. Wusih for Niigata; 24th, str. Madras for Hongkong, Seawell for Hiogo, str. Colorado for Hongkong, str. Granada for San Francisco; 25th, str. Vasco de Gama for San Francisco; July 1st, Adella for West Coast of Japan; 2nd, str. Nevada for Shanghai.

Vessels Expected at Hongkong.

(Corrected to Date.)

Vessel's Name.	From.	Dates.
Deogaum	Cardiff	Jan. 15
Alcyone	New York	Feb. 10
Frances	Shields	Feb. 19
Aracan	London	March 3
Charmer	Liverpool	March 9
Everhard	Newcastle	March 10
F. M. Thayer	Cardiff	March 19
Lathley Rush	Cardiff	March 21
Atlantic	Penarth	March 21
J. Christian	Cuxhaven	March 24
Dan	Cuxhaven	April 5
Taitsing	London	April 6
Comet	Cardiff	April 7
Cleopatra	Penarth	April 8
Morning Light	Penarth	April 16
North American	Liverpool	April 20
Melbrek	London	April 26
Sir Harry Parkes	London	May 10
W. G. Platten	Cardiff	May 12
Falcon	London	May 23
Frederick Tudor	Cardiff	May 29
Caranjah	Hamburg	May 30
Eugenie	Cardiff	June 2
Hopewell	London	June 4
Glengyle (s)	London	June 10

Auction Sales To-day.

None.

NOTICE

ON and after this date the undermentioned Local Insurance Offices will charge the following Rates of Premium per Steamers *via* Suez Canal, being those cowcurrent in London.

W.A.F.P.A.

HANKOW to LONDON:—
TEA per Mail Steamers..... 2½ 3
" all other Steamers..... 3½ 3½
SHANGHAI or FOOCHOW to LONDON:—
TEA per Mail Steamers..... 2½ 1½
" all other Steamers..... 3 2½
SILK per Mail Steamers..... 1½ 1½
" all other Steamers..... 2½ 2
CANTON WATERS to LONDON:—
TEA per Mail Steamers..... 1½ 1½
" all other Steamers..... 2½ 2
SILK per Mail Steamers..... 1½ 1
" all other Steamers..... 2 1½
AMOY to NEW YORK:—
TEA by Steamers..... 2½ 2

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents, "Canton Insurance Office."
N. J. EDE,
Secretary, "Union Insurance Society of Canton."
For "The North China Insurance Company,"
REGINALD D. STARKEY,
Agent.
tf 774 Hongkong, 16th May, 1874.

NOW READY.

THE "CHRONICLE & DIRECTORY" FOR 1874.

Apply at
THE *DAILY PRESS* OFFICE.

FOOCHOW DOCK.

PAGODA ANCHORAGE.

THE above Granite-floored DOCK has lately been LENGTHENED to 400 feet over all, and is now capable of receiving vessels up to 380 feet on the keel. The breadth of the Dock at the bottom is 40 feet, at the top 80 feet, and the width at the entrance is 66 feet. Depth of water on the sill 13 feet at average neaps, and 17 feet at average spring tides.

The Dock has a Caisson Gate, and is pumped out by steam.

A new FOUNDRY for large iron and brass castings has recently been added.

The Machine Shop contains a 12-inch Screw Cutting Gap-lathe, Small Lathes, Drilling and Screwing Machines, Steam Saw Mill, Large Smithy, &c., &.

Dry Godowns are on the premises, available for stowage of cargo, &c.

A large stock of Timber, Metal, and other Dock-yard Material always on hand.

Vessels docked for examination, re-metalled, re-spurred, repairs also done in harbour; and iron ships and steamers cleaned and painted, at moderate charges. Particulars can be obtained at the Dock, or on application to the undersigned.

The Steam Tug *Woosung* is in thorough working order, and is available at all times to tow vessels to or from sea, at reasonable rates.

JOHN FORSTER & Co.
tf 1039 Foochow, 18th June, 1874.

Banks.

THE QUEENSLAND NATIONAL BANK, LIMITED.
Incorporated under the Companies Act, 1863.

CAPITAL, £500,000.

HEAD OFFICE, BRISBANE.

DIRECTORS:
HON. F. H. HART, M.L.C., Chairman.
HON. A. B. BUCHANAN, M.L.C.
HON. THOS. M'ILWRAITH, M.L.A.
AUDITORS:
FREDERICK ORME DARVALL, Esq.
W. F. DIGBY, Esq.
GENERAL MANAGER:
E. R. DRURY.
BLANCHES:
BEENLEIGH.
CHARTERS TOWERS.
COOKTOWN.
GYMPIE.
MARYBOROUGH.
MILLCHESTER.
ROCKHAMPTON.
ROMA.
STANTHORPE.
TOOWOOMBA.
TOWNSVILLE.
AGENTS IN LONDON:
THE UNION BANK OF LONDON;
THE NATIONAL BANK OF AUSTRALASIA.
AGENTS IN NEW SOUTH WALES:
THE CITY BANK.
THE MERCANTILE BANK OF SYDNEY.
AGENTS IN VICTORIA, SOUTH AUSTRALIA, AND WESTERN AUSTRALIA.
THE NATIONAL BANK OF AUSTRALASIA.
AGENTS IN NEW ZEALAND:
THE BANK OF NEW ZEALAND.
AGENTS IN NEW YORK:
MESSRS. LAIDLAW & CO.
AGENTS IN SAN FRANCISCO:
THE BANK OF CALIFORNIA.
AGENTS IN INDIA AND THE EAST:
THE ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.
6m 1130] [July 21, 1874.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....5,000,000 of Dollars.
RESERVE FUND.....1,000,000 of Dollars.

Court of Directors:—
Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—The Hon. R. ROWETT.

Ad. André, Esq.	Wm. Lemaire, Esq.
E. R. Bellios, Esq.	Thos. Pyke, Esq.
J. F. Cordes, Esq.	S. D. Sassoon, Esq.
A. F. Heard, Esq.	

Chief Manager.
Hongkong—James Greig, Esq.
Manager.
Shanghai—Ewen Cameron, Esq.
London Bankers—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits—
For 3 months 2 per cent. per annum
6 " 4 " "
12 " 5 " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits—granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts—granted on London, and the chief commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

JAMES GREIG, *Chief Manager.*
Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East,
Hongkong, 16th February, 1874.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

INCORPORATED by National Decrees of 7th and 8th March, 1848, and by Imperial Decrees of 25th July, 1854, and 31st December, 1865.

RECOGNISED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30TH APRIL, 1862.

	Francs.	*£ Sterling.*
PAID UP CAPITAL.....	80,000,000	3,200,000
RESERVE FUND.....	20,000,000	800,000.

HEAD OFFICE.—14 Rue Bergère, Paris.
LONDON AGENCY.—144, Leadenhall Street, E.C.
AGENCIES.—At Nantes, Lyons, Marseilles, Roubaix, Brussels, Alexandria, Bombay, Calcutta, Hongkong, Shanghai, Saigon, Saint Denis (Ile de la Réunion,) and Yokohama.

LONDON BANKERS—UNION BANK OF LONDON.

HONGKONG AGENCY.

Interest Allowed.

On current deposit accounts at the rate of 2 % per annum on the monthly minimum balances.

On Fixed Deposits:
For 3 months 3 % per annum.
" 6 " 4 % " "
" 12 " 5 % " "

A. PHILIPPE,
Acting Manager.
Offices in Hongkong: Bank Buildings, Queen's Road.
876 Hongkong, 21st July, 1874.

THE ANGLO-CALIFORNIAN BANK, (LIMITED.)
412, CALA ST., SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.

London Office.....3, *Angel Court.*
New York Agents, J. & W. SELIGMAN & Co., 21, *Broad Street.*

AUTHORIZED
CAPITAL STOCK.....$6,000,000.

WILL receive Deposits, open Accounts, make Collections, buy and sell Exchange and Bullion, loan Money, and issue Letters of Credit available throughout the world.

FRED. F. LOW,
IGN. STEINHART,
1y 1887 *Managers.*

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned and his father took a passage from Shanghai by the steamer *Ningpo*, bound for this port. After the embarkation, while on the passage, the Undersigned's father departed this life. Through the kindness of Captain BANNER, the corpse was conveyed to this port. To record this act of the Captain's benevolence this notice is given.

LEE HOI SAN.
5d 1131 Hongkong, 20th July, 1874.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Sole Agents for the Sale of their Goods in Hongkong and China by Messrs. J. & R. TENNENT, Glasgow, and Messrs. DAVID CORBAN & SONS, Arbroath.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
tf 419 Hongkong, January, 1867.

YANGTSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI.

NOTICE.

ON and after this date the above Association will allow a Brokerage of THIRTY-THREE and ONE-THIRD PER CENT. (33⅓ %) on Local Risks only.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
tf 877 Hongkong, 4th June, 1874.

COMMERCIAL UNION ASSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned Agents at Hongkong for the above Company's Fire Department, are prepared to GRANT POLICIES against FIRE to the extent of $10,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current rates, subject to an immediate discount of Twenty per cent.

THE BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.
3y 790 Hongkong, 20th May, 1874.

To be Let.

TO LET,
(Furnished if required.)

A THREE-STOREY Comfortable HOUSE in a respectable locality, Hollywood Road, having Nine Rooms, and a fine view of the whole Harbour. Rent moderate. Address "A.," care of this paper.
tf 935 Hongkong, 16th June, 1874.

TO LET,
With Possession on 1st May.

THE OFFICE now occupied by the HONGKONG AND CHINA BAKERY Co.
Apply to the
HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
tf 526 Hongkong, 6th April, 1874.

TO LET,
With immediate possession.

THE HOUSE No. 7, Aberdeen Street. Water and Gas laid on.
Apply to
A. F. ALVES.
tf 920 Hongkong, 13th June, 1874.

TO LET,
From 1st June next.

OFFICES in Hunt's Building, Peddar's Wharf. Apply to
LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co.
tf 782 Hongkong, 19th May, 1874.

TO LET,
With possession on the 1st July.

BOULDER LODGE, at present in the occupation of C. S. SHERWOOD, Esq.
Apply to
G. FALCONER.
tf 838 Hongkong, 29th May, 1874.

TO LET, OR FOR SALE.

THE Airy and Commodious BUNGALOW, situated in S. Francisco on Praya in Macao, below the New Hospital, and commanding a whole view of the Harbour; with STABLES, OUT-HOUSES, and GARDEN attached. Rent moderate.
Apply to
No. 18, TRAVESSA DE S. DOMINGO
IN MACAO,
or
No. 16, LYNDHURST TERRACE IN HONGKONG.
14d 1107]

TO LET.

HOUSES Nos. 2, 4, and 6, in Hollywood Road, lately forming part of the "Hotel d'Europe." Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
tf 783 Hongkong, 19th May, 1874.

TO LET.

THE PREMISES situate in Queen's Road Central, known as the "CROWN AND ANCHOR TAVERN." Apply to
GILMAN & Co.
tf 834 Hongkong, 23d May, 1874.

TO LET.

A SPACIOUS GODOWN on the Praya Central.
Apply to
THOS. G. GLOVER.
1m 991 Hongkong, 25th June, 1874.

TO LET,
With immediate possession.

NO. 108, Queen's Road, OFFICE and DWELLING HOUSE, with GODOWNS attached, lately occupied by Messrs. SANDERS & Co.

DWELLING HOUSES.
Alexandra Terrace.
No. 13, Gage Street.
" 8, Gough Street.
" 19a, Hollywood Road. Water and Gas laid on.

DWELLING HOUSES,
With possession from 1st May.
No. 20, Stanley Street, formerly in the occupation of Dr. E. YOUNG.
No. 46, Peel Street, formerly in the occupation of J. E. ANTON, Esq. Water and Gas laid on.
For particulars, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
tf 563 Hongkong, 14th April, 1874.

TO LET.

A HOUSE on Carlton Terrace, Spring Gardens. Water laid on. Terms, moderate.
Apply to
LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co.
tf 771 Hongkong, 16th May, 1874.

TO LET.

HOUSE in West Terrace, Caine Road.
Apply to
J. P. DA COSTA.
1m 1082 Hongkong, 9th July, 1874.

TO LET.

THE whole or part, of the Residence known as "THE HERMITAGE."
Apply to
T. ALGAR,
9, Hollywood Road.
tf 977 Hongkong, 23rd June, 1874.

TO LET.

TWO ROOMS, No. , Queen's Road East.
Apply to
A. MILLAR & Co.,
Plumbers, &c.
tf 874 Hongkong, 4th June, 1874.

TO LET.

THE PREMISES at present occupied by THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, Queen's Road.
Apply to
G. FALCONER.
tf 1070 Hongkong, 7th July, 1874.

TO LET,
With Possession on the 1st of March.

THE Business PREMISES and Dwelling HOUSE on Queen's Road, at present in the occupation of Messrs. LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co. Apply to
ROBT. S. WALKER & Co.
tf 41 Hongkong, 6th January, 1874.

TO LET.

ONE GRANITE GODOWN at Wanchai.
Apply to
S. E. BURROWS & SONS.
tf 545 Hongkong, 10th April, 1874.

CHINA AND JAPAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

NOTICE.

AFTER this date, a brokerage of Thirty-three and one-third per cent. (33⅓ %) will be allowed by this Agency on risks to ports in CHINA, JAPAN, the PHILIPPINES, and the STRAITS.

On risks to all other ports, the brokerage will be ten per cent. (10 %) only.

WM. PUSTAU & Co.,
Agents.
tf 131 Hongkong, 21st January, 1874.

PHŒNIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

FROM this date, until further notice, a discount of Twenty per cent. (20%) upon the current local rates of premia will be allowed upon insurances effected with this Company.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
Agents.
tf 1192 Hongkong, 9th June, 1874.

QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.

FROM and after this date, and until further notice, a Discount of Twenty per cent. (20%) upon current local rates of Premia will be returned on Insurances against fire, effected with this Office.

EDWARD NORTON & Co.,
Agents.
tf 1174 25th June, 1874.

OFFICE OF THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

ON and after this date the above Company will allow a Brokerage of THIRTY-THREE and ONE-THIRD PER CENT. (33⅓ %) on Local Risks only.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
General Agents.
3d 876 Hongkong, 4th June, 1874.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will Sell by Public Auction,

TO-MORROW,

the 23rd July, 1874, at Noon, at his Sale Rooms, Queen's Road:—
Casks BEER, in Quarts.
Cases SHERRY.
Cases VERMOUTH.
Cases GIN.
Cases LIQUEURS, in Quarts, Pints, and Half-pints.
Foolscap PAPER.
Yellow Printing PAPER.
Blotting PAPER.
Prussian BLUE.
Coloured ALPACCA, Coloured FLANNEL SHIRTINGS, HANDKERCHIEFS, &c.
An Invoice of FANCY GLASS TOILET SETS.

Also,

45 Kegs IRON NAILS, from 1¾ to 2¼ in.

And

(For account of the concerned,)—
JPSL in heart, $7124. One Bale 7 lbs. White SHIRTINGS.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
1145 Hongkong, 22nd July, 1874.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will Sell by Public Auction, at their Sale Rooms, Queen's Road, on

FRIDAY,

the 24th July, 1874, at Noon,—
Invoices of J. GOSNELL & Co.'s and E. RIMMEL'S PERFUMERY, comprising:—Fashionable SCENT in Handsomely Cut Glass Bottles, FLORIDA and LAVENDER WATER, Glycerine and Honey TABLETS, VIOLET and Nursery POWDER.
SUNDRIES:—MORTON'S OILMENS STORES, PETITS POIS, Kerosine LAMPS, White and Coloured DRILL, HANDKERCHIEFS, Copying PRESSES, &c., &c.

Also,

5 Bolts No. 1 Merchant Navy CANVAS.
14 " 2 " "
41 " 3 " "
60 " 4 " "
11 " 5 " "
6 " 1 Baxter's "
2 " 3 " "
8 " 3 " "
17 Cases MUSKETS and RIFLES.

And

Sundry HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

TERMS OF SALE—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.
1146 Hongkong, 22nd July, 1874.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY,

the 27th July, 1874, at Noon, at No. 17, Wyndham Street,—

The whole of the HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising Drawing Room, Dining Room, and Bedroom SUITES, Green Repp-covered CHAIRS, Easy CHAIRS and SOFAS, Pier GLASS, Kerosine CHANDELIERS and LAMPS, Centre CARPETS, Hearth RUGS, Marble-top TABLES, SIDEBOARD, GLASSWARE, PLATED WARE, PUNKAHS, Teakwood BEDSTEADS, WARDROBES and Toilet TABLE, Marble-top WASHSTAND, CHEST of DRAWERS, VELVET TABLE COVER, Window CURTAINS, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
1140 Hongkong, 21st July, 1874.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from W. H. COWLEY, Esq., to Sell by Public Auction, at his Residence, Nullah Side West, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 29th day of July, 1874, at Noon,—
The whole of his HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising Drawing Room, Dining Room, and Bed Rooms SUITES, TABLES, CHAIRS, COUCHES, MIRRORS, ENGRAVINGS, SIDEBOARD, WHATNOTS, GLASS WARE, PLATED WARE, CROCKERY, BEDSTEAD, WARDROBES, CHEST of DRAWERS,
&c., &c., &c.
Catalogues will be issued.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
1147 Hongkong, 22nd July, 1874.

PUBLIC AUCTION
OF
ELEGANT HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, PIANO, ENGRAVINGS, PLATED WARE, &c., &c., &c.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction on

SATURDAY,

the 1st day of August, 1874, at the Residence of the late F. BARRADAS, Esq., No. 4, Old Bailey Street, at 2 P.M.,—

The whole of his Elegant HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, consisting of Red Damask-covered Spring CHAIRS, SOFAS, Arm and Easy CHAIRS, Side and Round Marble-top TABLES, Large PIER GLASSES, ENGRAVINGS, Japanese Bronze ORNAMENTS, American CHANDELIERS, RUGS, CURTAINS, PIANO and STOOL, Card TABLES, DINING TABLE and CHAIRS, SIDEBOARD, WHATNOTS, Dinner and Dessert SERVICES, CUTLERY, GLASS WARE, Teakwood BEDSTEAD with Spring MATTRESS, WARDROBES, CHEST of DRAWERS, Toilet TABLE, WASHSTAND and SERVICES, Cheval and Toilet GLASSES, Rattan CHAIRS and SOFAS, &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

J. M. GUEDES, Jr.,
Auctioneer.
1149 Hongkong, 22nd July, 1874.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from H. M.'s Naval Storekeeper, to Sell by Public Auction, at the Naval Yard, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 16th September, 1874, at Noon,—
H.M.'s Gunboat
"OPOSSUM,"
235 Tons, 30 Horse-power (nominal), in Hongkong Harbour with Engines and Boilers, Masts and Yards, Anchor and Cables, Sails and Stores, &c., as she stands.

Further particulars can be obtained on application to the Naval Storekeeper.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

The Vessel to be at the purchaser's risk with all faults and errors of description, on the fall of the hammer.

V. M. ARMSTRONG,
Government Auctioneer.
1123 Hongkong, 12th July, 1874.

POSITIVE GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CHAS. H. MORGAN,
Agent.
1y 943 Hongkong, 18th June, 1874.

THE TOURIST'S GUIDE—REDUCED PRICE $1.

Containing the names of all the Articles of Trade, objects of Natural History, Furniture, &c., &c., with the Canton and Mandarin Pronunciation.

Also a few copies of the GRAMMAR of the Chinese Language, on sale at
The Daily Press Office.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. GENUINO A. DA SILVA in our firm ceased on the 30th June last.

JOAQM. PERES DA SILVA & Co.
5d 1138 Macao, 20th July, 1874.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. GUSTAV RITZREITH in our firm in Canton and Hongkong, cease to-day, and Mr. WILHELM ROST becomes a partner in our business from the 1st proximo.

CARLOWITZ & Co.
tf 1019 Hongkong, 30th June, 1874.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. JAMES REISS, in our firm, ceased on the 30th April, 1874.

REISS & Co.
Hongkong, China, and Japan,
tf 715] May 7th, 1874.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. PAUL S. FORBES, in our firm in Hongkong and China, ceased on the 1st instant.

Our partners now consist of Mr. EDWARD CUNNINGHAM, Mr. W. H. FORBES, Mr. F. D. FORBES, Mr. W. S. FITZ, Mr. JOHN M. FORBES, Jr., Mr. S. W. POMEROY, Jr., Mr. F. D. HITCH, and Mr. H. de C. FORBES.

RUSSELL & Co.
3m 941 Hongkong, 17th June, 1874.

NOTICE.

MR. J. A. BARRETTO is authorized to sign our Firm, per procuration, from this date.

A. A. DE MELLO & Co.
1m 1052 Macao, 1st July, 1874.

NOTICE.

MR. GUSTAV NISSLE is authorized to sign our firm per procuration.

BEHRE & Co.
1m 1108 Saigon, 7th July, 1874.

NOTICE.

I HAVE Established myself at this Port as Merchant and Commission Agent.

A. MACG. BEATON.
tf 491 Hongkong, 31st March, 1874.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. LEOPOLD KAHN, in our firm, ceased on 30th April last, and Mr. CHARLES KAHN is this day admitted a partner.

REISS & Co.
Hongkong, China, and Japan,
tf 668] 1st May, 1874.

NOTICE.

THE Business of the Undersigned, hitherto conducted in Bombay, Hongkong, and Shanghai, under the name of D. C. TATA, will, from the 1st proximo, be carried on under the firm or style of TATA AND COMPANY.

Mr. DORABJEE BURJORJEE TATA, of Shanghai, will continue to act as Manager at that port as heretofore, and he is authorised to sign the firm of TATA AND COMPANY.

JAMSETJEE NUSSERWANJEE TATA,
NATHOORAM JORAVURMULL,
SORABJEE COWASJEE TATA,
DADABHOY COWASJEE TATA.
1m 1026 Hongkong, 30th June, 1874.

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GUARANTEED TO CONTAIN
Nitrogen equal to 9 per cent. of Non-Volatile Ammonia.
20 " Soluble " Guano Phos.
4 " Insoluble " phate.

THIS Manure is prepared from *genuine Peruvian Government Guano*. The result of its special treatment is that the Ammonia is fixed, the Phosphates in the Raw Guano rendered soluble, and the Manure brought into the condition of a *free* dry powder.

It loses nothing from exposure to the atmosphere, or to the heat of the sun. It is offered to the farmer with a *Guarantee* of its composition, and is, in fact, the richest and, considering the quality, the cheapest *Guaranteed Manure* at present in the market. Its fertilising properties are such as will enable the consumer to derive the greatest economical advantage from the use of Guano.

APPLICATION OF DISSOLVED PERUVIAN GUANO TO COLONIAL PRODUCE.

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RICE.—We should strongly recommend the use of 2 to 3 cwts. per acre for Rice, for, although irrigation is generally solely relied upon as a means of producing a good crop of Rice, there can be no doubt that, in addition to irrigation, 2 or 3 cwts. of Dissolved Peruvian Guano per acre will be highly beneficial.

TEA.—Judging from the limited experience at our command with regard to the manuring of Tea plantations, we confidently recommend it to planters, whose reports we shall be glad to receive.

COTTON.—The yield of Cotton has of late years been greatly increased by the use of artificial manures, containing a fair proportion of ammonia and much soluble phosphate of lime, potash, and other alkaline salts. Dissolved Peruvian Guano meets the requirements of the Cotton plant, inasmuch as it furnishes all the elements of fertility which are calculated to promote the luxurian growth of the same. If the increase in quantity be made the chief object, 4 to 5 cwts. of Dissolved Peruvian Guano per acre will prove most advantageous; but if greater care be given to the fine quality of the Cotton, the use of 2 to 3 cwts. of Dissolved Peruvian Guano, together with 2 to 3 cwts. of mineral superphosphate, per acre, will be found to answer better.

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OFFICES—110, FENCHURCH STREET, LONDON, E.C.
WORKS—AT PLAISTOW (NEAR VICTORIA DOCK) LONDON, E.C.

N.B.—In applying Dissolved Guano, and, indeed, all concentrated Artificial Manures, it is desirable to mix them with about twice their bulk of dry earth, sifted vegetable ashes, or similar substances, so as to secure an even distribution of the manure and to prevent its coming into direct contact with the seed.

IT SHOULD ALWAYS BE KEPT DRY TO AVOID LOSS.

For further particulars, apply to
MEYER, ALABOS & Co.,
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tf 511 Hongkong, April 2nd, 1874.

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H.R.H. THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH
AND
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BEG to announce that they have just received a Choice Assortment of PERFUMERY and TOILET REQUISITES.
tf 976 Hongkong, 15th June, 1873.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

THE Half-yearly MEETING of Shareholders of the HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, THIS DAY, 22nd July current, at 3.30 P.M.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 22nd July, inclusive.

By order,
ED. BAKER,
Secretary.
22d 1044 Hongkong, 22nd July, 1874.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN Extraordinary MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's New Office, 30, Queen's Road, Victoria, at half-past three o'clock in the afternoon of TUESDAY, the 11th August next, for the purpose of authorizing certain Alterations to Clause 1, paragraph 104 of the Articles of Association.

By order,
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 18th July, 1874.

AN Extraordinary MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, as above, at half-past three o'clock in the afternoon of TUESDAY, the 25th August next, for the purpose of confirming the Resolutions passed at the Meeting of the 11th idem.

By order,
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.
25d 1125 Hongkong, 18th July, 1874.

NOTICE.

In the matter of ALFRED KIRCHNER, HEINRICH BÖGER, *and* CHRISTIAN FREDRICK GROSSMANN, *lately trading at Hongkong and Shanghai as Merchants and Commission Agents, in co-partnership, under the Style or Firm of* KIRCHNER, BÖGER & Co.

IN LIQUIDATION.

THIS is to give Notice that pursuant to the Provisions in that behalf of the Bankruptcy Ordinance, 1864, by an Indenture bearing date the 18th day of May, 1874, the above-named ALFRED KIRCHNER, HEINRICH BÖGER, and CHRISTIAN FREDRICK GROSSMANN conveyed and assigned all their Estate and Effects unto ADOLF ANDRE and CARL WILHELM SIEGFRIED, Esqs., both of the City of Victoria in the Island of Hongkong, Merchants, as Trustees upon trust for the benefit of all the Creditors of them the said ALFRED KIRCHNER, HEINRICH BÖGER, and CHRISTIAN FREDRICK GROSSMANN.

All Persons claiming to be Creditors of the said ALFRED KIRCHNER, HEINRICH BÖGER, and CHRISTIAN FREDRICK GROSSMANN are requested to forward particulars of their Claims to the said Trustees, or to their Solicitors, Messrs. CALDWELL and BRERETON, of 29, Queen's Road, Victoria aforesaid, on or before the First day of November, 1874, and all Persons indebted to the said ALFRED KIRCHNER, HEINRICH BÖGER, and CHRISTIAN FREDRICK GROSSMANN are required forthwith to pay the amount of their Debts to the said Trustees, otherwise they are liable to be sued for the amount.

Dated the 22nd day of July, 1874.

J. CALDWELL & BRERETON,
Solicitors for the said Trustees,
28, Queen's Road,
Victoria, Hongkong.
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G. O. ROGERS, DDS.,
(Successor to Dr. V. D. COLLINS,)
DENTIST,
No. 7, ARBUTHNOT ROAD,
tf 247 Hongkong, 13th February, 1874.

LICK HOUSE,
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THE "LICK" offers unsurpassed accommodation for Tourists, being centrally located, and having horse cars for all parts of the city passing its door. Its rooms and suites are unequalled for comfort, while its Dining Hall is acknowledged to be the most elegant room of its kind in America, of the Continent. Its cuisine is second to no institution of its kind; every luxury of the season, prepared by the ablest of cooks, being daily placed on its tables. In fact, the "LICK" offers to the Tourist a home, where every attention is guaranteed for the comfort of its guests that the most careful judgment of experienced men, in their several callings, can afford. [3m 702

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C. LAZARUS & Co.'s Billiard Tables are now the only ones appreciated in India, as a long and steady experience extending over 50 years has proved them to be the best and most suitable for the climate. C. L. & Co. have received a large number of very flattering testimonials from all parts of India, China, Burmah, Ceylon, Manila, Java, Straits, and Persia, testifying to the superior make and quality of their Billiard Tables, and while thanking their Friends and Patrons in China for the liberal support so long extended to their firm, would, in soliciting further patronage, beg to mention the following facts which have conduced to the success their efforts have hitherto met with. Every table is made of *solid wood, well seasoned and not veneered.* The Cushions are constructed on an entirely new principle, introduced by C. L. and Co., and unlike that adopted by English makers, and are much more durable and lively than English made cushions. No table leaves C. L. and Co.'s premises until it has been standing ready finished for over 12 months, in order to ensure perfectly seasoned material. Every article of furniture, also, that leaves C. LAZARUS and Co.'s Establishment, is guaranteed of Solid and Seasoned Wood.

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Extracts.

MY LOWLAND HAME.

Ye autumn scenes o' life, away!
I wearied and o' time;
But gie me back the raptured day
O' careless infancy—
Gie back my schoolmates, young and free,
That roused my noisy game,
And shared the spring o' life wi' me
Around my lowland hame.

Tho' winter hid the landscape bare,
And poortith's blaats were chill,
I felt them not, for cloudy care
And I were strangers still;
And a' the earthly sweets were mine
That happiness could claim;
For brightly did contentment shine
Around my lowland hame.

Thro' castles auld and border frays
My boyish fancy strayed,
Where steel-clad knights o' early days
Oft fought wi' bow and blade.
And we'll my mither could disclose
Their tales o' love and fame,
For many an ancient fortress rose
Beside my lowland hame.

My schoolmates now are scatter'd wide,
The golden dreams are fled,
And manhood's callous years of pride
Are planted in their stead.
But auld Dumfries, roam where I will,
I'll think of thee the same,
And oft in dreams I'll see thee still,
My happy lowland hame.

S. HENRY, 42nd Highlanders.

ARKANSAS INHOSPITALITY.

We tried to get some fish from a family of Germans who have taken up a claim right in the middle of the park; but being surly, disagreeable people, and possibly feeling they had no right to be there, they would give us neither fish, milk, or butter, though their cows were feeding on Dr. B's hay. We felt rather like the man who, travelling in Arkansas, rides up into one day to a lonely rauche. The sole occupant is a woman, who comes to the door hearing a traveller arrive; and the following dialogue ensues:

Man: "Good day, ma'am, how goes? Can you give my horse a feed?"

Woman: "Wa'al, I hain't got much."

Man: "Can you give him some corn and hay?"

Woman: "Wa'al, I hain't got no corn, and I hain't got no hay."

Man (inquisitively): "Can you give him some fodder?"

Woman (reflectively): "Wa'al—no; I hain't got no fodder."

The horse must take care of himself evidently; so the traveller begins again persuasively:

"Well, can you give *me* something to eat?"

Woman (doubtfully): "Wa'al, neaow, I guess I hain't got much."

Man (impatiently): "Can you give me some bread and beans?"

Woman: "Wa'al, I hain't got no bread, and I hain't got no beans."

Man (furiously): "Why, how *do* you people do down here?"

Woman (cheerfully): "Oh, pretty well, thank you; heaow do *you* do?"—*"South by West," by the Rev. C. Kingsley.*

OLD CASTLES.

Carew Castle is situated about four miles from St. Gowan's Head, a majestic headland at the southern extremity of Pembrokeshire, famed for a profound hollow walled in by lofty perpendicular cliffs in which is a small rude structure with a belfry and stone altar, called St. Gowan's Chapel. At one end is an arched opening into a cleft in the rock in which the above saint, a nephew of King Arthur, is said to have taken refuge from his pagan pursuers, the rock having obligingly closed upon the holy fugitive, only to open again when his baffled enemies quitted the spot. The magnificent remains of Carew Castle stand upon an elevated point of the coast of Milford Haven, and are of quadrangular form, with a bastion at each corner. The ranges of apartments on the north side are of the fifteenth century, highly ornamented in the interior, and with immense projecting windows. The banqueting-hall, 102 feet in length, is a superb apartment, and, though much dilapidated, forms a grand example of Gothic architecture. Other parts of the building are evidently of more remote date, and are remarkable for solidity and strength. Over the west gateway are the arms of England, of the house of Lancaster, and of the family of Carew. The original castle was the residence of Welsh princes until it passed by marriage to Gerald de Windsor, an Anglo-Norman chieftain, to whom Henry I. assigned the lordship of these parts. Gerald's son assumed the name of Carew (meaning, in Welsh, fortifications,) and by one of his descendants the place was mortgaged to Sir Rhys ap Thomas, who entertained with great splendour Henry VII., when, as Earl of Richmond, he set out to encounter Richard III. at Bosworth Field. It is said that on this occasion the Welsh knight held a tournament at which 600 of the nobility and gentry, with their attendants, were present. The property reverted to the Carew family after being alienated from them for many generations.

Picton Castle, which stands in a richly-wooded and highly-beautiful park about four miles to the southeast of Haverford west, is one of the most ancient in the kingdom, and, like the castles of Warwick, Alnwick, and Brancepeth, is one of the few feudal fortresses in the occupation of its owners. It was built in the reign of William Rufus, by William de Picton, a Norman knight, and is remarkable from having been inhabited by an unbroken line of successive proprietors. During the civil war in Charles's reign it was vigorously defended by Sir Richard Philips against the Parliamentary forces, and was fortunate in escaping the general dismantling which converted such princely fortresses as Raglan and Chepstow into habitations for the owl and bat. Picton Castle is of oblong configuration, with three large bastions on each side, and the gateway having a double portcullis at the east end, between two smaller bastions. The edifice presents a striking and truthful representation of a baronial fortress of mediæval times, though some alterations and additions made within recent years have not been carried out with a due regard to the *genius loci*.

Among other ruined castles in Pembrokeshire is one at Haverfordwest, which successfully stood a siege against a French force of 1,200 men sent to assist Owen Glendower in his rebellion against Henry IV.; of this fortress the keep alone remains. Also Manorbier Castle, about four miles from Tenby, a noble specimen of Norman architecture of the time of Henry I., in which was born, in the eleventh century, the renowned Welsh historian and topographer, Giraldus Cambrensis, who is buried in the cathedral of St. David's. This castle is in a very good state of preservation, the lofty and embattled walls remaining, together with the circular towers at each angle, and a larger tower and watch-turret at the entrance.

The castle at Pembroke is of great interest, and when seen from the water presents, even in its ruined state, the appearance of a magnificent pile. It was erected in 1094, and granted by Henry I. to Gilbert Strongbow, Earl of Pembroke, by whom it was enlarged and strengthened. In this castle Henry VII. was born, and close by, at Milford Haven, he disembarked when he made his bold and successful venture for the crown of England. It has sustained repeated sieges, of which the most notable was its unsuccessful defence against the forces of the Parliament, by whose orders it was dismantled.—*Golden Hours.*

LIME WATER FOR WASP STINGS.

Dr. Danverne writes to a French journal that some time ago he was stung on the head and face by a number of wasps. The pain was great, and he had no ammonia at hand, nor was there a druggist near by. Recollecting the fact that lime water was good for burns, it occurred to him to try it for the relief of the burning sensation produced by the stings. It answered the purpose perfectly, and he has since advised its use in some twenty cases of wasp stings, and it has always caused an instant cessation of the pain. The remedy is a simple one, and worth making a note of.

ENGLISH NOVELISTS.

The novel of manners in England multiplies, and for this there are several reasons: first, it is born there, and every plant thrives well in its own soil; secondly, it is a natural outlet: there is no music in England as in Germany, or conversation as in France; and men who must think and feel find in it a means of feeling and thinking. On the other hand, women take part in it, with eagerness; amidst the stagnation of gallantry and the coldness of religion it gives scope for imagination and dreams. Finally, by its minute details and practical counsels it opens up a career to the precise and moral mind. The critic thus is, as it were, swamped in this copiousness; he must select in order to grasp the whole, and confine himself to a few in order to embrace all. In this crowd two men have appeared of superior talent—original and contrasted, popular on the same grounds, ministers to the same cause, moralists in comedy and drama, defenders of natural sentiments against social institutions—who, by the precision of their pictures, the depth of their observations, the succession and bitterness of their attacks, have renewed, with other views and in another style, the old combative spirit of Swift and Fielding. One more ardent, more expressive, and wholly given up to rapture, an impassioned painter of crude and dazzling pictures, a lyric prose-writer, omnipotent in laughter and tears, plunged into fantastic invention, painful sensibility, vehement buffoonery; and, by the boldness of his style, the excess of his emotions, the grotesque familiarity of his caricatures, he has displayed all the forces and weaknesses of an artist, all the qualities, all the successes, and all the oddities of the imagination. The other, more contained, better informed and stronger, a lover of moral dissertations, a counsellor of the public, a sort of lay preacher, less bent on defending the poor, more bent on censuring man, has brought to the aid of satire a sustained common-sense, a great knowledge of the heart, consummate cleverness, powerful reasoning, a treasure of meditated hatred, and has persecuted vice with all the weapons of reflection. By this contrast the one completes the other; and we may form an exact idea of English taste, by placing the portrait of William Makepeace Thackeray by the side of that of Charles Dickens.—*Taine's English Literature. Fourth Vol.*

THE SONGS OF SCOTLAND.

In order to estimate the amount of the influence which the songs of Scotland have been exerting on the life of her people, it is not necessary to hazard any comparison between these songs and those of any other country, even though such a comparison need not be dreaded by the most patriotic Scotsman. But no one who makes any inquiry upon the subject can fail to be struck with the prominent place which the songs of Scotland occupy in the life of the Scottish people. There is no occupation of Scottish life whose toil is not made at least more tolerable, if not positively pleasant; there is no sorrow whose shadow is not brightened; there is no aspiration of the human heart which is not quickened into a more ardent glow; there is no joy which does not receive an additional zest, from the songs which the Scots—men and women, lads and lasses—sing, or try to sing, or, if they cannot even try, hum at least with inward satisfaction.

Anecdotes, pathetic and amusing too, are not wanting to illustrate the fondness of the Scotch for their music and songs, and the cheer which the gratification of their fondness afforded under circumstances extremely unfavourable to cheer of any kind. Dr. Cameron, a brother of Lochiel, the friend of Prince Charlie, was overheard, in his prison after the disaster at Culloden, indulging his feelings in singing "We'll maybe return to Lochaber no more." A still more remarkable indulgence in song and music is related of a town-piper of Falkirk who was sentenced to be hanged for horse-stealing. In the spirit in which Hughie Graham, of Border ballad notoriety, addressed a witty message to his father from the gallows-knowe—in the spirit in which the northern freebooter, Macpherson, played his violin under the gallows-tree, the condemned piper invited, by permission, a number of his professional brethren to spend with him the night before his execution. "As the liquor was abundant, and the instruments were in tune, the noise and fun grew fast and furious. The execution was to be at eight o'clock, and the poor piper was recalled to a sense of his situation by morning light dawning on the window. He suddenly silenced his pipe, and exclaimed, 'Oh, but this weary'n' hanging rings in my lug like a new tune!'"

But the beneficent influences of Scottish song are more touchingly evidenced in the ordinary life of the people; and I do not know that these influences could be better illustrated than by a glimpse of the office which the cherished popular songs are performing still in the less favoured spheres of Scottish society. We draw from the experience of William Thom of Inverury, one of the best of those numerous humble poets who, in the midst of unremitting toil for the bare necessaries of life, have been led to cherish nobler thoughts mainly by the influence of Burns and the popular poetry of Scotland. "Moore," he says, in his "Rhymes and Recollections of a Handloom Weaver," "was doing all he could for love-sick boys and girls yet they never had enough. Nearer and dearer to hearts like ours was the Ettrick Shepherd, then in his full tide of song and story; but nearer and dearer still than he, or any living songster, was our ill-fated fellow-craftsman, Tannahill. Poor weaver chiel! what we owe to you! Your 'Braes of Balquidder,' and 'Yon Birnside,' and 'Gloomy Winter,' and also 'Minstrel's' wailing ditty, and the noble 'Glenlee.' Oh how they did ring above the rattle of a thousand shuttles! Let me again proclaim the debt we owe to these song spirits as they walked in melody from loom to loom, ministering to the low-hearted; and when the breast was filled with everything but hope and happiness, let us cheer break out the healthy and vigorous chorus, 'A man's a man for a that,' and the ragged weaver brightens up. . . . Who dare measure the restraining influences of these very songs? To us they were all instead of sermons. Had one of us been bold enough to enter a church, he must have been ejected for the sake of decency. His forlorn and curiously-patched habiliments would have contested the point of attraction with the ordinary eloquence of that period. Church bells rung not for us. Poets were indeed our priests; but for those, the last relics of moral existence would have passed away. Song was the dewdrop which gathered during the long night of despondency, and was sure to glitter in the very first blink of the sun. You might have seen Auld Robin Gray wet the eyes that could be tearless amid cold and hunger and weariness of plan."—*"The Ballads and Songs of Scotland," by C. Clark Murray.*

Insurances.

THE SECOND COLONIAL SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF BATAVIA.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, SPECIAL ATTENTION OF SHIPPERS to the low rates of premium charged for all steamer risks, besides which a Brokerage of THIRTY-THREE and ONE-THIRD PER CENT. (33⅓) will be allowed on risks to ports in China, Japan, the Philippines, and the Straits. On risk to all other ports the Brokerage will be FIFTEEN PER CENT. (15%) only.

SIEMSSEN & Co., *Agents.*

1f 1038 Hongkong, 1st July, 1874.

THE SWISS LLOYDS TRANSPORT INSURANCE COMPANY, WINTERTHUR.

Capital.

*Co-insures with French Lloyd, Paris, Fcs.*7,000,000

AND WITH

French Company, Paris.....5,000,000

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies on Marine Risks to all parts of the World at Current Rates, allowing usual Brokerage.

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co., *Agents.*

1y 1043 Hongkong, 1st July, 1874.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of $60,000 on any one

FIRST-CLASS RISK,

at Current Rates.

A RETURN OF TWENTY PER CENT. (20%) will be made on the premium charged on all Insurances, such RETURN being payable on the issue of the Policy.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., *Agents,*

Imperial Fire Insurance Company.

333 Hongkong, 1st March, 1874.

BATAVIA SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

MARINE RISKS.

Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London, or at the principal ports of India, Australia, and the East.

A BROKERAGE of THIRTY-THREE and ONE-THIRD PER CENT. will be allowed on all LOCAL RISKS.

FIRE RISKS.

Policies granted on First-class Buildings to an extent of $20,000.

A DISCOUNT of TWENTY PER CENT. (20%) upon the current local rates will be allowed on all premium charged for insurance; such discount being deducted at the time of the issue of policy.

RUSSELL & Co., *Agents.*

1y 1 Hongkong, 1st January, 1874.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER AND SPECIAL ACTS OF PARLIAMENT.

Established 1809.

CAPITAL—£2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the following rates, subject to a discount of 20%.

Detached and semi-detached Dwelling Houses removed from Town, and their Contents.....1 per cent. per annum.

Other Dwelling Houses used strictly as such, and their Contents.....1 "

Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c., and their Contents.....1 "

SHORT PERIOD INSURANCES.

Not exceeding ten days, ¼ of the annual rate.
Not exceeding 1 month } ½ "
Above 1 month, and not exceeding 3 months } ¾ "
Above 3 months, and not exceeding 6 months } ¼ "
Above 6 months..... the full annual rate.

GILMAN & Co., *Agents.*

1f 1903 Hongkong, 6th May, 1874.

LONDON AND ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT INSURANCE OFFICE.

137, LEADENHALL STREET, LONDON

ESTABLISHED 1843.

THE Undersigned is authorised to accept risks on behalf of this Office, by First Class Steamers and Sailing Ships.

A. McIVER, *Agent.*

1f Hongkong, 1st July, 1867.

TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept *risks against Fire at current rates*, subject to a bonus of 20 per cent.

SIEMSSEN & Co., *Agents.*

1f 39 Hongkong, 16th November, 1872.

PRUSSIA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents to the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of $40,000, on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

1f 717 Hongkong, 9th November, 1868.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Marine risks at current rates.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.

1f 471 Hongkong, 1st March, 1874.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY AT HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to GRANT INSURANCES to the extent of $65,000, on first-class risks at current rates.

MELCHERS & Co.

1f 674 Hongkong, 1st May, 1874.

THE QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.

CAPITAL—TWO MILLION STERLING.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agent for the above Company at this port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire, to the extent of £10,000, on Buildings or on Goods stored therein.

EDWARD NORTON & Co.

1f 241 Hongkong, 22nd January, 1870.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD-OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above-mentioned Ports.

No charge for Policy fee.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, *Secretary.*

Hongkong, 1st November, 1871. 1f 885

NOTICE.

THE QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE following rates will be charged in future for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding 10 days, ¼ of the annual rate.
Not exceeding 1 month } ½ do. do.
Above 1 month and not exceeding 3 months } ¾ do. do.
Above 3 months and not exceeding 6 months } ¼ do. do.

EDWARD NORTON & Co.,

Agents the Queen Insurance Company.

1f 242 Hongkong, 22nd January, 1870.

Insurances.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at Current Rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

1f 1958 Hongkong, 15th October, 1868.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two-thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premia contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co., *General Agents.*

1f 951 Hongkong, 17th April, 1873.

YANG-TSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS 800,000 TAELS.

POLICIES granted on *Marine Risks* to all parts of the World, at current rates.

This Association will, until further notice, provide out of the earnings, first for an interest dividend of 15% for shareholders on Capital, and thereafter distribute among Policy holders annually, in cash, ALL the profits of the Underwriting Business *pro rata* to Amount of premium contributed.

RUSSELL & Co., *Agents.*

1f 989 Hongkong, 9th July, 1872.

Insurances.

LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY.

FROM this date, until further notice, a discount of Twenty per cent. (20%) upon the current local rate of premia will be allowed upon insurances effected with this Company.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., *Agents.*

1f 1193 Hongkong, 27th June, 1872.

NOTICE.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against Fire in the above Company at current rates subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co., *Agents, Royal Insurance Company.*

1f 1617 Hongkong, 1st October, 1873.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE THE FIRST. A.D. 1720.

THE undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation, are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London, or at the principal Ports of India, China, and Australia.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates.

A discount of 20% allowed.

LIFE DEPARTMENT.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000, on reasonable terms.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

1f 1963 Hongkong, 26th July, 1872.

HONGKONG MARKETS.

As Reported by Chinese for the 21st July, 1874.

COTTON GOODS.

COTTON YARN, No. 16 s 14	per picul	$142.00	$145.00
" 28 s 32	"	118.00	118.00
" 36 s 42	"	130.00	136.00
GRAY SHIRTINGS, 7 s 7¼ lbs	per piece	$1.87	1.90
" 8 s 8½ lbs	"	2.20	2.25
" 9 s 10 lbs	"	2.75	2.85
WHITE SHIRTINGS, 46 s 90 reed	"	2.25	2.35
" 36 s 76	"	2.55	2.70
" 32 s 80	"	2.85	3.50
WHITE SPOTTED DO.	per piece	2.45	2.50
WHITE BROCADES	"	2.55	2.60
AMERICAN DRILLS, 30 yards	"	2.60	2.85
" 40	"	3.85	4.00
GRAY T-CLOTHS, 24 yds & 32 lbs, 7 lbs,	"	1.80	1.85
" 24 " & 36 " lbs	"	2.20	2.35
DYED SPOTTED SHIRTINGS	"	2.75	3.00
DYED BROCADE Do.	"	3.75	3.50
DYED DARABET Do.	per piece	5.60	6.00
CRINES	"	1.80	1.85
HANDKERCHIEFS, Blue	per doz.	0.60	0.65
" Brown	"	0.60	0.65
" Red	"	0.75	0.80
VELVETS, Black, 22 ins.	per yard	0.22	0.23
" Gentian, 22	"	0.16	0.19
VELVETEENS, Black	"	0.22	0.23

WOOLLEN GOODS.

SPANISH STRIPES	per yard	0.78	0.79
LONG ELLS, *M* Scarlet	per piece	8.80	8.90
" Assorted	"	8.40	8.50
" *HH* Scarlet	"	3.80	8.90
" Assorted	"	8.30	8.40
CAMBLETS, SSS	"	14.50	17.00
" SS	"	18.00	18.70
" S	"	19.00	19.50
" FFF	"	20.00	20.50
LASTINGS, *DD*	"	14.00	14.50

METALS.

IRON, Nail Rod Nos. 1 to 6	per picul	3.90	4.10
" Hoop	"	3.50	3.65
" Bar	"	3.80	3.90
" Wire	"	9.25	9.00
LEAD	"	9.95	7.10
STEEL, English	per tub.	4.70	4.80
" Swedish	"	4.90	5.10
TIN, Malacca	per picul	25.50	26.50
" Plates	per box	7.80	8.00
SHEATHING METAL	per picul	28.00	28.00
QUICKSILVER, English	"	187.00	190.00
" American	"	188.00	190.00
SPELTER	"	7.20	7.50

PRODUCE.

COTTON, Shanghai	per picul	14.00	14.50
" Ningpo	"	13.00	13.20
" Tientsin	"	13.00	13.50
" Shantung	"	14.00	14.50
" Bengal	"	11.00	14.50
ASSAM	"	1.70	1.85
CAMPHIRE, Japan white	"	3.00	4.10
" Black	"	3.50	3.60
CHINA, Bengal, Cargo, No. 1	"	2.45	2.50
" " 2	"	2.30	2.25
" Siam, white	"	1.85	1.90
" mill-cleaned	"	1.00	1.05
" Manila	"	2.35	2.40
" Singapore	"	2.20	2.25
" Saigon	"	1.70	1.72
" Amoy	"	2.10	2.15
" Arracan	"	2.35	2.40
" Rangoon	"	2.25	2.30
CALICOES, Madras	per ton	6.75	6.50
COALS, Australian	"	14.50	—
" English steam	"	13.50	—
" American Anthracite	"	10.50	—
" Sydney	"	9.80	9.00
WINDOW GLASS	per box	1	
STRAITS PRODUCE, &c.,			
RATTANS, Straits	per pol.	6.50	6.60
" Banjar	"	6.40	6.20
PEPPER, White	"	18.50	18.50
" Black	"	12.50	13.00
BETEL NUT	"	3.75	4.40
SANDAL WOOD Malabar	"	4.00	4.50
" South Seas	"	16.00	17.50
SAPAN WOOD, Manila	"	1.70	2.00
" Siam	"	2.30	2.50
FLOUR, California, per sack of 50 lbs	"	1.30	1.35
" American, per barrel of 200 lbs	"	6.75	6.80
WHEAT, Tientsin	per pol.	1.80	1.85
" California	"	2.65	2.80
SUGAR, Canton white, No. 3	"	6.75	7.30
" No. 2	"	5.80	5.80
" Dk. Brown	"	5.20	5.90
" West Coast, Dk. Brown	"	4.40	4.50
" Manila, Dry White	"	6.75	6.90
" " Dk. Brown	"	6.50	6.70
CAMPHOR, packed	"	1.85	2.00
PEAS, White	"	2.10	2.25
" Green	"	1.75	1.90
" Black	"	1.70	1.85
" Yellow	"	3.00	3.00
MUSHROOMS	"	1.50	1.70
SEAWEED, Green	"	2.70	2.75
" Cut	"	12.00	12.50
CUTCH, Dry Siam large	"	8.25	8.80
" " middle	"	5.80	6.50
" " small	"	8.00	6.57
TERRA JAPONICA, Tientsin	"	14.00	14.50
BEES WAX, Japan	"	73.00	74.00
" Yankow	"		

SHIPPING IN THE CANTON WATERS.

Vessels.	*Captains.*	*Flag & Rig.*	*Tons.*	*Consignees.*	*Destination.*
				HONGKONG.	
				STEAMERS.	
Alsay	Abortiz	Span. str	260	D. Lapraik & Co	
Behar	Edmonds	Brit. str	1190	P. & O. S. N. Co	
De Butler	Dumai	Fren. str	1654	Messageries Maritimes	Saigon, &c.
Emuy	Artadi	Span. str	223	H. W. Lowndes	
Fame	Vicary	Brit. str	116	H. K. & W. Dk. Co	*Tug Playing*
Fewan	Benning	Brit. str		A. Heard & Co., Agents	
Helloong	Abbott	Brit. str	277	D. Lapraik & Co	Swatow &c.
Japan	Freeman	Amr. str	4000	P. M. S. S. Co	*In Docks*
Kiushan ‡	Cary	Brit. str	1050	A. Heard & Co., Agent	
Kin-Kiang ‡	Benning	Brit. str	1061	A. Heard & Co., Agent	
Ningpo	Rayner	Brit. str	761	Siemssen & Co	
Nonni	Koch	Brit. str	606	Kwok Acheong	
Pasteur	E. Smith	Amr. str	280	Aug. Heard & Co	Macao
Pearl	H. L. Munk	Brit. str	705	Ah Yon	*Laid up*
Pewan	A. H. Benning	Brit. str	1890	A. Heard & Co., Agent	
Pekang §	Carroll	Brit. str	821	A. Heard & Co., Agent	
Prince Albert		Brit. str	180	Kwok Acheong	
Sir J. Jeejeebhoy		Brit. str	101	Kwok Acheong	
Vinyas	D. de Tremoya	Span. str	214	H. Kiser	
White Cloud		Brit. str	380	A. Heard & Co., Agent	*Laid up*
Yet-tung	Cullen	Brit. str	332	Kwok Acheong	Swatow

‡ *Running between Hongkong and Canton.*
§ *Running between Macao and Hongkong.*

				SAILING VESSELS.	
Aruna	Henkendorff	Dan. bk	256	John Burd & Co	
Aldebaran	P. E. W. Mauck	Ger. bk	300	Siemssen & Co	
Aramore	R. Corfield	Brit. sh	1260	Russell & Co	San Francisco
Belle Sauvage	J. W. Finch	Ger. sh	850	Eimbcke	Shanghai
Caroline Hutchings	Francis Ward	Brit. bk	287	Order	Yokohama
Clivalo	H. H. Brock	Ger. bk	380	Bourjau & Co	
Coeran	Herrnsheim	Ger. sch	120	Captain	
Columbo	Reuer	Brit. bk	384	Aug. Heard & Co	
Dunning Louise	Bonde	Dan. bg	268	Ed. Schellhass & Co	
Emigrante	L. Castagnino	Peru. sh	940	Wm. Pustau & Co	
Emile Marie	J. Lobayo	Fren. bk	255	F. Degenaer	
Fabius	C. F. Stolze	Siam. sh	695	Kim-tye-long	
Ferdinand	Lorenzan	Ger. bk	416	Wm. Pustau & Co	
Frank M. Thayer	H. A. Starrett	Amr. sh	1220	Messageries Maritimes	
Fay Benton	Angel Fulle	Peru. sh	561	Remedios & Co	Callao
Gallah	Andersen	Siam. bk	547	Chinese	
Highlander	Willcomb	Amr. sh	1352	Aug. Heard & Co	
Imeraray	Semple	Brit. bk	985	Chinese	Tientsin
Jean F. Pearson	Le Bouef	Brit. bk	526	Order	
Kim-yung-tye		Siamese	229	Chinese	
Lamona	Ulrich	Ger. bk	405	Bourjau & Co	
Meeo	Ormachea	Peru. sh	1076	Carlowitz & Co	Callao
Marmion	Boyd	Amr. bk	825	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	San Francisco
Meschikoff	Bannister	Amr. bk	223	Carlowitz & Co	
Morning Star	Edlefsen	Siam. bk	570	Chinese	
New Republic	N. E. Reynolds	Brit. bk	580	Russell & Co	
Palma	C. Binge	Ger. bk	299	Bourjau & Co	
Pepita	Aldecoa	Span. bk	269	Remedios & Co	Manila
Providencia	J. Ysaurieta	Peru. sh	660	Order	
Rosa	Castillo	Span. bk		Bourjau & Co	Manila
San Juan	A. Urtubinga	Peru. sh	1476	Order	
Star of China	Blaker	Brit. sh	700	Messageries Maritimes	
Shooting Star	Wm. Tait	Siam. sh	618	Chinese	
Sophie	Ohlsen	Ger. bg	210	Bourjau & Co	Singapore
Vista	R. Dirks	Ger. bk	302	Melchers & Co	
Venador	Tessdel	Brit. sh	919	P. & O. S. N. Co	Manila
Warrior	J. Hoddle	Brit. bk	379	Chinese	New York
				RECEIVING VESSELS & HULKS.	
Chase	Webster	Pw. Mag.	283	Harbour Master	
Fort William	Purchase	Hulk	1000	P. & O. Co	
John Adam	Stroud	Hulk	318	Water Police	

H. B. M.'S SHIPS IN THE CHINA SQUADRON.

Names.	*Rig.*	*Guns.*	*H.P.*	*Captain.*	*Where At.*
Avon	doub. sc. gun vl.	4	130	Comr. Fowlett	Singapore
Cadmus	Steam Corvette	17	400	Capt. Wm. H. Whyte	Ba-bous to England
Charybdis	Steam Corvette	17	400	Captain T. E. Smith	Singapore
Curlew	doub. sc. gun vl.	4	160	Comdr. E. J. Church	Tientsin
Dwarf	doub. sc. gun vl.	4	130	Comdr. E. W. Bax	Hongkong
Elk	doub. sc. gun vl.	4	130	Comdr. J. B. Barnett	Hongkong
Flamer	Hospital				Shanghai
Fobic	double sc. gun vl.	4	160	Comdr. O. E. Buckle	Amoy
Growler	doub. sc. gun vl.	4	130	Com. W. Stewart	Singapore
Han	double sc. gun vl.	4	130	Comdr. T. H. Cope	Nagasaki
Hornet	double sc. gun vl.	4	130	Comdr. Osmer Jn.	Kobe
Iron Duke	doub. sc. ston sh	14	800	Capt. W. Arthur	Foochow
Kestrel	double sc. gun vl.	4	100	Comdr. Theobald	Hongkong
Manica	Military Hospital	—	—	—	Nagasaki
Midge	doub. sc. gun vl.	4	120	Comdr. Grant	En route to Hongkong
Midgeon	Steam Corvette	14	350	Capt. M. J. Thomson	Hankow
Mosquito	gun boat	2	60	Lieut. Comr. Fau	—
Opossum	gun-boat	2	60	—	Hongkong
Princess Charlotte	Receiving ship	12	—	Com. E. Parish	Hongkong
Ridgedove	doub. sc. gun vl.	4	130	Comr. Singleton	Yokohama
Swinger	doub. sc. gun vl.	4	60	Lieut. Comr. Bullock	Hongkong
Sylvia	double sc. gun vl.	—	150	Captain St. John	Yokohama
Talia	Steam Corvette	6	400	Capt. H. D. Woollcombe	Yokohama
Tuscarora	doub. sc. gun vs.	14	120	Comr. F. Stirling	Nagasaki

FOREIGN MEN-OF-WAR IN HARBOUR.

Name.	*Nation.*	*Tons.*	*Guns.*	*Captain.*
Diligence	Amr. gun-boat	250		O'Sullivan
Pluto	Spanish cor.	1200		Zemento de Mario
Force	French trans.	1901		Lambal
Vladimir	Russian cor.	1095		Novoselsky

SHIPPING IN THE CHINA WATERS.

Vessel.	*Captain.*	*Flag & Rig.*	*Tons.*	*Consignees.*	*Destination.*
				WHAMPOA.	
				STEAMERS.	
Lintin		Brit. str	69	Kwok Acheong	

				WHAMPOA.	
				SAILING VESSELS.	
Courier	F. R. Bartlett	Brit. bk	320	Messageries Maritimes	
Faith	D. Lloyd	Brit. bk	481	A. MacG. Heaton	London
Fidelio	D. C. Bohsen	Ger. bk	317	Siemssen & Co	Tientsin
Flensborg	Koest	Dan. bk	365	Ed. Schellhass & Co	
Golden Spur	S. E. Farrall	Brit. sh	656	A. MacG. Heaton	London
Jessie McDonald	Sinewright	Brit. sch	275	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	London
Rifleman	Bishop	Brit. sh	505	Russell & Co	New York
				CANTON	
Chen ju	Poynter	H.I.C.M.	g-b.		
Ching-Sing	E. Choy	H.I.C.M.	g-b.		
Chinkiang	James Hogg	Brit. str	723	Siemssen & Co	Shanghai
Demerara				Customs Chop	
Fee-loong	Wright	H.I.C.M.	g-b.		
Kasugakan	J. Inouye	Japanese	cor.		
Man-niensing	Sun-shun-fat	H.I